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Milk Production in Pennsylvania Down 4.4 Percent in February

HARRISBURG, PA, Mar 19, 2007 - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during February 2007 totaled 822 million pounds, 4.4 percent below last February's production of 860 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 548,000 head, down 1,000 from January 2007 and down 7,000 from February 2006.

Production per cow averaged 1,500 pounds in February, 140 pounds less than January's production per cow of 1,640 pounds and 50 pounds per cow less than February 2006.

Milk production in the 23 major states surveyed during February 2007 totaled 13.1 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent compared to production in these same states during February 2006. January revised production, at 14.3 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from January 2006.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,586 pounds for February, unchanged from February 2006.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.28 million head, 71,000 head more than February 2006, but 3,000 head less than January 2007.

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